

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-13 OF THE  
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING "A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A NURSE PROGRAM"**

**COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY**

**LINK TO DISTRICT**

**STRATEGIC PLAN: INCREASE STUDENT EXPOSURE AND UNDERSTANDING OF  
GLOBAL ISSUES**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County is issuing a proclamation in recognition of the **Day in the Life of a Nurse** program. For the past eight years this program has provided high school students with the opportunity to gain a greater understanding of the nursing profession. Last year's Day in the Life of a Nurse program took place at 16 hospitals in Miami-Dade County and at more than 40 hospitals throughout South Florida on November 14, 2008.

Our region, and indeed the nation, faces a nursing shortage which is projected to grow in the coming decades. A U.S. government study projects that by the year 2020, there will be a nationwide shortage of up to one million trained nurses. This shortage will create many opportunities for youths who possess the technical aptitude and human qualities critical to nursing. The close collaboration between the Nursing Consortium of South Florida and the School Board of Miami-Dade County has always been the key to the program's success.

We are especially grateful to the Division of Career and Technical Education for developing a teacher-training program that Broward, Palm Beach, Monroe, and Hendry County School Systems have requested to share with teachers in their districts. More than 1,000 students participated in this event including approximately 380 students from Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-13 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida recognizing "A Day in a Life Nurse Program".

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-13 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,  
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE "DAY IN THE LIFE OF A NURSE" PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Nursing Consortium of South Florida is a not for profit member supported association that works to ensure an adequate and culturally competent nurse workforce in South Florida, and

**WHEREAS**, the Nursing Consortium of South Florida and its member organizations have a long history of close collaboration with the Miami-Dade County Public School System, and

**WHEREAS**, this close collaboration has resulted in many opportunities for students, teachers, and school staff to learn about career opportunities in the nursing profession, and

**WHEREAS**, since 2000 the Nursing Consortium of South Florida's Day in the Life of a Nurse program has provided hundreds of high school students throughout South Florida with structured access to the challenging and rewarding work of nurses, and

**WHEREAS**, the **Day in the Life of a Nurse** program will take place at more than 30 hospitals throughout Miami-Dade County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Nursing Consortium of South Florida's **Day in the Life of a Nurse** program has been most effective in inspiring students in the Miami-Dade County Public School System to pursue careers in nursing;

Now therefore, the Superintendent and Board of the Miami-Dade County Public School System do hereby proclaim Friday, the 14<sup>th</sup> of November 2008 as;

**Day in the Life of a Nurse Day**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-13, recognizing the "**Day in the Life of a Nurse**" program.

A copy of this Resolution Is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

**Presented this 11th day of February A.D. 2009**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Chair

ATTEST:

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SECRETARY